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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Recently, portions of Missouri's Fourth Congressional District have been hammered by outbreaks of severe thunderstorms. These storms have generated flash flooding, high winds, hail, tornadoes, and extremely high river levels along the Missouri River. The turbulent weather has destroyed property and hindered the livelihoods of residents of the Fourth District. During a recent tour in Ray County, I saw some of the flooding devastation first hand.

It has come to my attention that Missouri Governor Jay Nixon has requested federal disaster declarations for a number of Show-Me State counties, including four counties in the Fourth District. Missourians rightly expect their government to stand ready to assist in times of need. This is one of those times.

So that Missourians can promptly begin to restore their property and rebuild their lives, I urge you to expedite the Governor's request and immediately declare a federal disaster for those Missouri counties affected by summer storms.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,



IKE SKELTON
Member of Congress

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